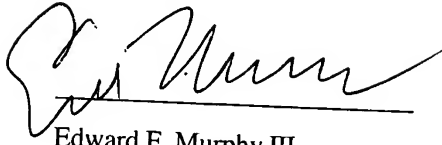


REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 8-16 have been cancelled. Claims 6,7,17,and 18 have been rewritten into independent form.

Respectfully submitted,

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